

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: April 26-27, 2006

Reference No.: 2.2c.(7)  
Action Item

From: CINDY McKIM  
Chief Financial Officer

Prepared by: Jay Norvell  
Division Chief  
Environmental Analysis

Ref: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING,  
03-But-70, PM 10.0/13.6  
RESOLUTION E-06-11**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-06-11.

## **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) has been completed:

- Route 70 in Butte County – Upgrade to freeway and construct interchange near Oroville.

This project is not fully funded. This project consists of three independent phases: a Safety phase, Phase 1, and Phase 2. The Safety phase is fully funded in the 2006 State Highway Operation and Protection Program for \$10,213,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-07. Phase 1 is fully funded in the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for \$25,886,000 for capital and support and is estimated to begin in FY 2007-08. Phase 2 is not funded. This phase may be proposed in a future STIP cycle. The total estimated cost of Phase 2 is \$54,000,000, and the proposed year of construction is FY 2011-12.

The FEIR has been transmitted to Commission staff. It was prepared due to the potential for significant levels of hazardous waste within the project limits.

The Department has approved the project for construction. This approval and the filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

Attachments

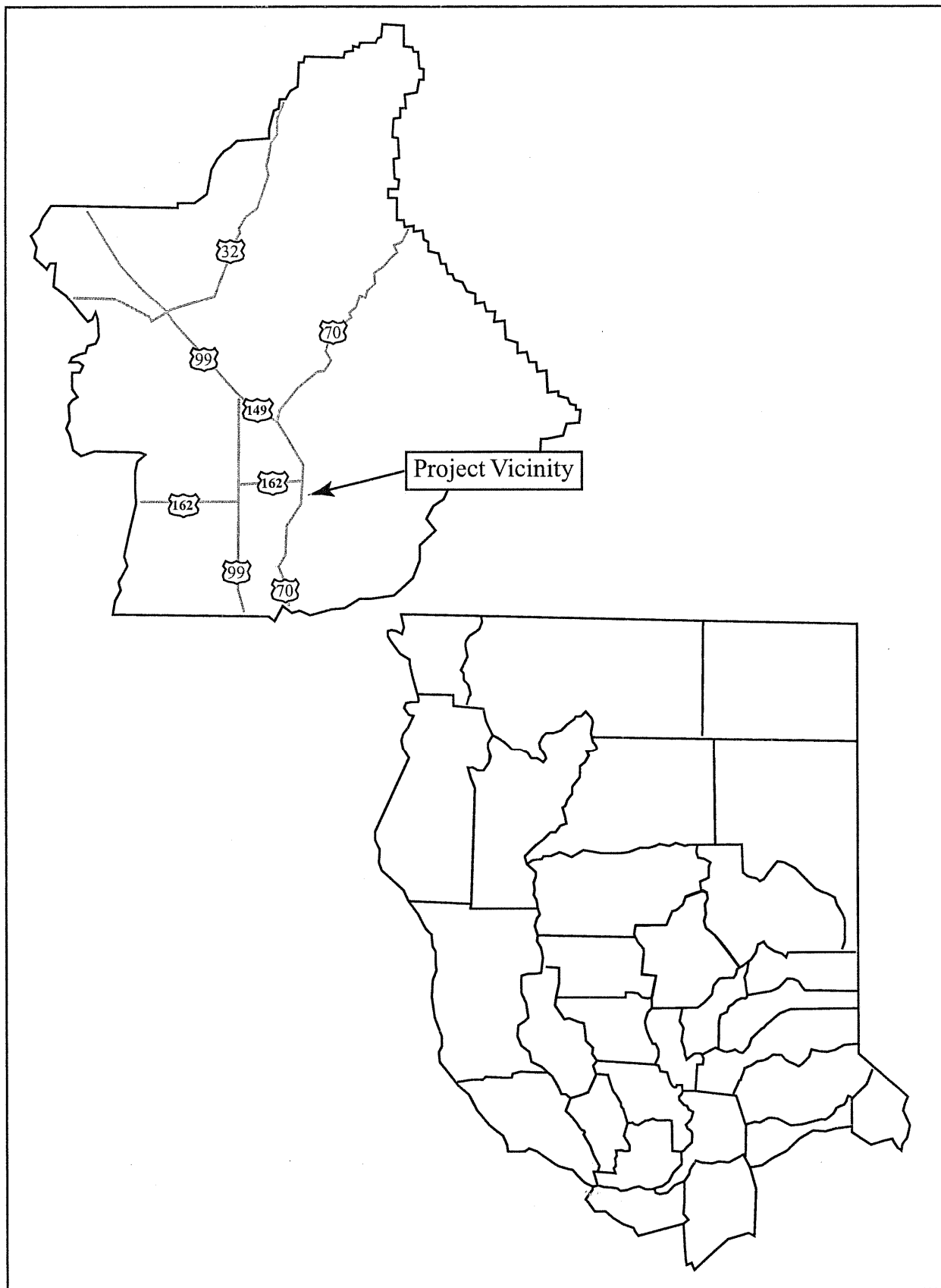
## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 03-But-70, PM 10.0/13.6**

#### **Resolution E-06-11**

- 1.1 WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Final Environmental Impact Report pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:

  - Route 70 in Butte County – Upgrade to freeway and construct interchange near Oroville.
- 1.2 WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Final Environmental Impact Report has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Final Environmental Impact Report; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS**, the Final Environmental Impact Report did not identify any significant effects after mitigation.
- 2.1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.



**Exhibit 1. State Route 70/Ophir Road Safety Project Vicinity Map, 03-BUT-70 (PM 10.8/12.6).**